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PART I. SIGNIFICANT PHOTO INTERPRETATIONS

B. NEW TARGETS AND SIGNIFICANT CHANGES

ZZZ01:CABLE TRAMWAY OV NGAN SAU SGM R7B CTY VN 182138N1053658E

A CABLE TRAMWAY SYSTEM HAS BEEN CONSTRUCTED AND IS OPERATIONAL OVER THE NGAU SAU RIVER AT THE SITE OF THE DESTROYED TRAI HOI RAIL BRIDGE. THE TRAM SYSTEM IS USED TO TRANSFER MATERIALS FOR THE TO THE SOUTH RIVER BANK. IT EMPLOYS TWO SETS OF CABLES, EACH PROBABLY CONSISTING OF TWO PARALLEL CABLES. THE WESTERN TRAM CROSSES WEST OF THE DESTROYED BRIDGE PIERS, THE EASTERN TRAM CROSSES NEAR THE EAST SIDE OF THE PEIR. THE PARALLEL CABLES ARE STRUNG BETWEEN CABLE SUPPORTS WHICH ARE CONSTRUCTED OF VERTICAL POLES CONNECTED AT THE TOP BY CROSSBEAMS. THESE SUPPORTS ARE TALLER ON THE NORTH BANK AND SHORTER ON THE SOUTH BANK TO FACILITATE MOVEMENT FROM NORTH TO SOUTH. TRAVERSING PLATFORMS OR SHALLOW BOXES ARE USED TO TRANSFER MATERIALS, ONE PLATFORM ON EACH OF FOUR CABLES. AT THE WESTERN TRAM AN ELEVATED LOADING PLATFORM HAS BEEN CONSTRUCTED ON THE NORTH AND PARALLEL DOCKING SLITS HAVE BEEN DUG INTO THE SOUTH BANK. A TRAVERSING PLATFORM IS AT EACH END. THE EASTERN TRAM IS BUT APPEARS LESS USED. A TRAVERSING PLATFORM OF THE EASTERN TRAM IS OBSERVED SUSPENDED OVER THE RIVER. CABLE ANCHORAGES FOR THE NORTHERN SUPPORTS ARE EASILY OBSERVED. RAIL SPURS ON EACH BANK HAVE BEEN BUILT TO SERVICE EACH TRAM. COVERED SUPPLIES ARE STOCKPILED ON EACH BANK IN THE VICINITY OF EACH TRAM CROSSING. A SIMILAR TRAM SYSTEM WAS OBSERVED AT THE SITE OF THE THUONG PHONG TRANG RIVER CROSSING PRIOR TO RECONSTRUCTION OF THE RAIL BYPASS BRIDGE IN MARCH 1969.

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PART II. OTHER PHOTO INTERPRETATIONS - NONE

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